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Description: ff. i + 190 - In contemporary tooled calf over boards; fragments of clasps. - Gustavo Camillo Galletti; Prince Baldassare Boncompagni (1821-1894); George A. Plimpton (1855-1936). - De Ricci, pp. 1788-1789.

Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 10

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Language: Italian *Country:* Italy *Century:* 15th

Part 1: ff. 1-190

Description: - Parchment - 239 x 168 mm - Quires of 10 leaves (except for the 7th, of 8 leaves, and except for the 20th, of 2 leaves); centered catchwords; 37 long lines ruled in ink, with boundary lines ruled in lead.

Country: Italy

Cardinal point:

Region: Tuscany?

City: Siena?

Assigned Date: s. XV²

Searchable Date Range: 1450 - 1499

Dated by scribe: Yes

Inscribed Date: 1473, December 26

Document: No

Number of Scribes: ;1

Scribe(s): Giorgio de Brito

Script: Humanistic

Other Decoration: Spaces with guide-letters reserved for 3-line initials; some geometrical diagrams in margins.

Notes: The date, 26 December 1473, is in the prologue, f. 1.

Number of Texts: 5

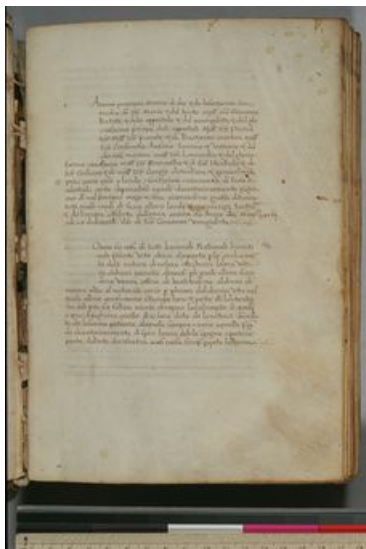
Text 1: ff. 1-102; f. 102 blank

Title: Arithmetic

Language(s): Italian

Incipit: Con cio sia cosa che tutti li animali rationali huniti ne la presente vita abino dixpoxto per lo ordinamento de la natura

Notes: Note on f. 65v, "Hic dificiunt quatuor charte que non sunt in exemplario," and ff. 65v-67 (=4 pages) are ruled but blank.



f. 1 Space reserved for rubric and initials; prologue invokes patron saints of Siena (Crescenzo, Ansano, Savino, Vittorio, and others); prologue includes date of 1473.

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A manuscript page (f. 6) featuring a large grid chart. The grid is composed of many small squares, each containing a number. The numbers are arranged in a regular pattern, likely representing a multiplication table or a similar numerical chart. The page is aged and shows some staining. A ruler is visible at the bottom of the page.

f. 6 Chart.

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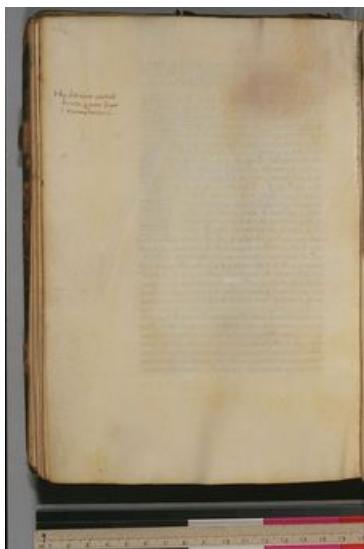
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f. 7v Horizontal rules in ink; vertical rules in very faint lead; single prick mark in outer margin just below last text line.

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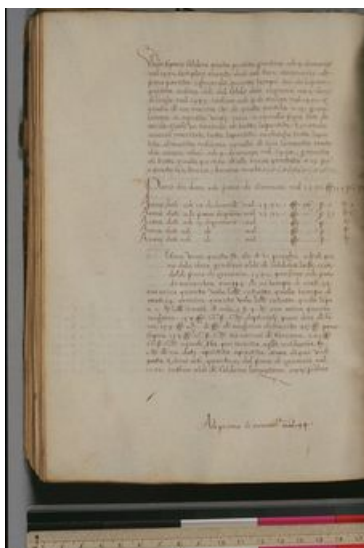
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f. 65v Scribe's note on defective exemplar.

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f. 98v Dates "1391" and "1392" in problem in text; "(13)94" in catchword.

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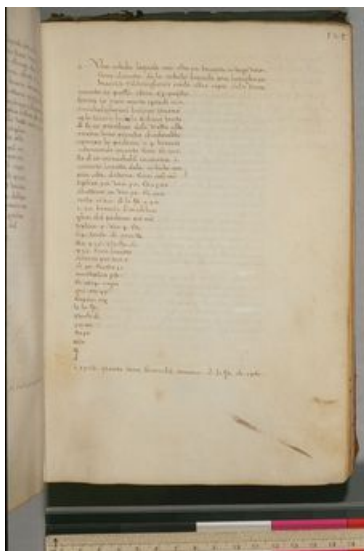
Text 2: ff. 103-128; ff. 124-128v ruled but blank

Title: Treatise on geometry and mensuration

Language(s): Italian

Incipit: Prima ti voglio admaestrare di 3 differenze che sono nel tondo et definire ciaschuna per se

Notes: ff. 109, 111, and 124 contain notes in later hands.



f. 123 Problem regarding height of a tree and space reserved in that shape for a drawing.

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Text 3: ff. 129-134

Title: On irrational numbers

Language(s): Italian

Incipit: Trattato de la regola la quale appartiene a le multiplicazioni et alle divisioni et a le abonzioni et a le soctractiōni de le radici

Text 4: ff. 134-178; f. 178v blank

Title: Algebra

Language(s): Italian

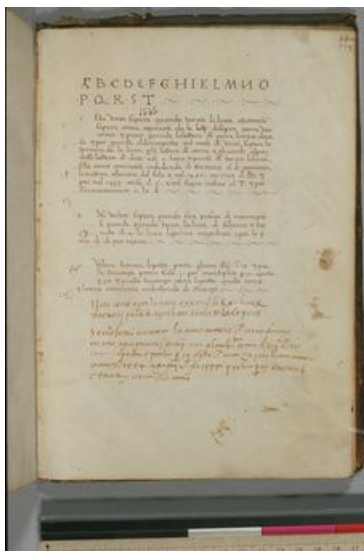
Incipit: Ora per che io ti voglo mostrare alchune regole de la arzibra

Text 5: ff. 179-190v

Title: Calendar and computus manualis

Language(s): Italian

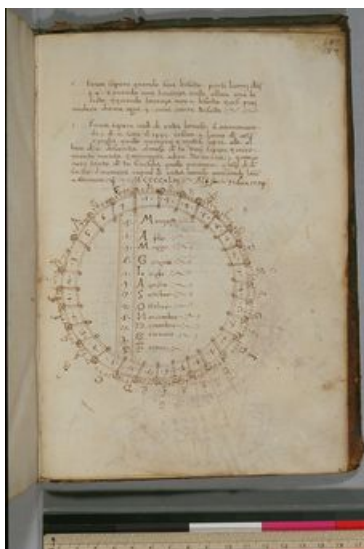
Notes: ff. 179v, 186r-v, 188-189v, 190v blank; ff. 179, 187 contain notes in later hands; f. 187 dated 1554.



f. 179 19-letter alphabet for finding the date of Easter, with "1452" and "1453" in the text; "1526," "1545" added above; note with "1554" and "1555" added below.

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f. 187 Calendar device with date "1443" and added date "1554."

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f. 187v Mnemonic hand for calendar computation for the years 1554-1581.

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